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AGRICULTURE IN NAXAL INFECTED AREA
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some special steps have been taken by the Government for the development of agriculture in Maoist influenced areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether crops such as pulses, oil seeds, medicinal plants and vegetables etc. can also be developed in these areas; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and steps taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE(SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a): The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation is implementing a number of Centrally Sponsored Schemes for increasing the production and productivity in the agriculture sector all over the country including the Maoist influenced areas. However, no specific steps for these areas are envisaged.

(b) to (d): A statement indicating the steps taken under the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation usual schemes for agricultural development in the Maoist influenced areas is enclosed.